

### 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY PUBLIC MARCHER'S GUIDELINES

This week-long "Walking Classroom" (54 miles from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama) stands to be a memorable, life- changing, experience for participants. Through discussions with the actual foot soldiers in the march, participants will learn of the strife and sacrifice that was endured for their sake. Youth, even children, were not spared from the violence that occurred 50 years ago. This journey will provide participants an opportunity to reflect and share with their peers, the events of 1965, the ongoing struggle for human rights and the residual impact that it holds today.

### Requirements

- Must be physically able to participate in a 12 mile a day walk in temperatures ranging 45° F to 90°; total miles walking 54;
- Must be comfortable with the outdoors;
- Must be on time to designated drop off and pick-up designation each participating in Walking Classroom; Check-in each morning at 0700 at the Lowndes Interpretive Center, 7002 US Highway 80 W, Hayneville, AL 36040;
- Must show full enthusiasm while participating in all activities for the five day march;
- Marchers must be self-sufficient and bring their own supplies i.e. food, water, snacks, personal gear;
- Sign the National Park Service photo/video release forms;
- Sign the "Walking Classroom" Code of Conduct;
- Sign a Liability Waiver;
- If selected must undergo a background check;
- Upon acceptance provide Personal Identification Information in the form of a valid State Driver's License or Identification Card;
- The walk is for is for five (5) days March 21-25, 2015; Selected marchers will be informed by mail, email and/or phone, so all applicants must have an active, regularly checked email account and/or phone number;
- Should a participant have a physical limitation, accommodations will be made during the March as much as possible;

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• If selected marchers must disclose to the National Park Service 1) all known allergies; 2) all prescriptions being taken; 3) any known health issues. Marchers with medical needs (allergies, taking prescription medications, etc.) should bring their medicines and other health-supportive items and take as needed. Staff is unable to administer medications; however, emergency medical services will be available at all times;

#### **Safety**

In order to maintain the historic integrity of this commemorative event, we ask that you abide by the following rules:

- No weapons
- No alcoholic beverages
- No illegal substances
- No unruly behavior

Anyone violating the aforementioned "Walking Classroom" Code of Conduct will be immediately removed from camp and all related activities.

Disclaimer: We will try to stay as historically accurate as possible, but due to construction and time constraints all 54 miles may not be walked.